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SENATOR CHAMBERS: That is what the statute already says in a general way.

SENATOR MURPHY: If a man owned a far Senator and on a crop sharing basis would he be precluded from the income from that property that he owns?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Murphy that question would have to be answered under the law as it is right now. But the thrust of this amendment is supplementing his salary from any private source and my understanding of that would be that you look at the entire context of the amendment some outsiders offerring these things in a way that would interfere with a Commissioner in the way that he would carry out his official duties and functions. The only kind of property that the law as it stands now would prohibit a commissioner from having is the kind of interest that would come under his or hers regulations as a commissioner. If that kind of interest came into his or her hands, without them going out and soliciting it they are given a certain amount of time to get rid of it but if it is a type of property or an income which is owned and has nothing to do with what he regulates I don't see where that would come under this provision at all. That is already in the statute. The only kind of property that or interest that they can not have is one which would come under their regulation as a Public Service Commissioner.

SENATOR MURPHY: I wonder if that word income couldn't be more accurately if we preclude the possibility that a man having property or income from a non-related source that it might be precluded from it.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Alright, then this sub-part two. Suppose we struck, receive any supplement to his salary from any private source and perhaps the rest of it would cover what I am after anyway. So if we struck that would that take care of the concern that you have?

SENATOR MURPHY: Possibly. Senator I would want to look at it afterwards. It struck me whenit was read thatyou were going to prohibit a man from any established income that he might have that was in no way related to his work.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I'm not even interested in that, so with the other hedges that the language puts, I would be willing to strike that sub-section two.

SENATOR MURPHY: Fine, we will take a look at it and see Senator. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, I guess that it would be a point of order. I would like to call the attention to the....if I understand the Chambers amendment as it has been discussed and read, I would call the Chair's attention to Article 3, section 2, it is on page 13 of the Constitution. The last sentence reads (read) I believe that we have had all